

Remarks & Arguments

In the Office Action, the Examiner noted that Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-11, 14, 15, 17, 18, and 20-24 are pending in the application, and that Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-11, 14, 15, 17, 18 and 20-24 are rejected. By this amendment, Claims 1, 4, 7, 8, 11, 14, 15, 18, 21, 23 and 24 have been amended. The amendments to the claims do not add new matter to the application. The Examiner's rejections are traversed below.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. 103

Claims 1, 3-4, 6-7, 23, 8-11, 14, 24, 15, 17-18, 20-22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being obvious in view of the combination of U.S. Patent No. 6,243,707 to Humpleman and U.S. Patent No. 6,848,104 to Van Ee.

With regard to **Claim 1**, the Office refers to Humpleman at page 20, lines 17-20 and page 17, lines 38-41, to support the assertion that Humpleman teaches "receiving a service-centric based request from a user, based on one or more of said service offerings." However, Applicants note that all other passages that the Office relies upon only pertain to device-centric techniques. See: col. 4, lines 20-32; col. 6, line 51 through col. 7, line 8; col. 7, lines 19-29; col. 7, lines 37-41; col. 13, lines 7-53; page 15, lines 50-56; page 16, lines 6-8; col. 18, lines 55-60; col. 21, lines 16-25; col. 21, line 54 through col. 22, line 6; Claim 1 and Figures 10-13. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully disagree with the Office's position, and suggest that the relied upon

passages do not support the Office's assertion. In particular, Humpleman does not teach or suggest how to 1) "determine one or more resources of said network for carrying out said **service-centric based request**" and "translating said **service-centric based request** into one or more **device specific events**." Instead, Humpleman only teaches creating "a macro file" for a user "selected device" (e.g., device-centric request). Accordingly, Humpleman is non-enabling with respect to creating "a macro file" for user selected "information sources based on content." In addition, Applicants respectfully submit that creating "a macro file" for user selected "information sources based on content", in view of Humpleman, would require undue experimentation.

The Office also refers to Van Ee at col. 13, lines 1-13, to support the assertion that Van Ee teaches "determining whether said service request list conflicts with another service request list." Again Applicants note that all the passages of Van Ee that the Office relies upon only pertain to device-centric techniques. The Applicants respectfully submit that one skilled in the art combining the teaching of Van Ee and Humpleman would only be motivated to determine whether "a macro file" for a user "selected device" conflicts with another such macro. Therefore, combining the teachings of Humpleman and Van Ee teach away from "determining whether said service request list [based on said device-specific events **translated from said service-centric based request**] conflicts with another service request list." Furthermore, creating "a macro file" for user selected "information sources based on content" and then checking if the macro file conflicts with another macro filed "created from user selected

“information sources based on content”, in view of Humpleman and Van Ee, would require undue experimentation by one skilled in the art.

For each of the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that Claim 1 is patentable over Humpleman in view of Van Ee. Accordingly, Applicants request that the obviousness rejection of Claim 1 be withdrawn and that Claim 1 be allowed.

Claims 3, 4, 6, 7 and 23 are allowable by virtue of their dependency on respective base Claim 1, as well as the additional elements they recite. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the obviousness rejection of Claims 3, 4, 6, 7 and 23 be withdrawn and that Claims 3, 4, 6, 7 and 23 be allowed.

With regard to **Claim 8**, the Office refers to Humpleman at page 20, lines 17-20 and page 17, lines 38-41, to support the assertion that Humpleman teaches “receiving a service-centric based request from said user based on one or more of said service offerings.” However, Applicants note that all other passages that the Office relies upon only pertain to device-centric techniques. See: col. 4, lines 20-32; col. 6, line 51 through col. 7, line 8; col. 7, lines 19-29; col. 7, lines 37-41; col. 13, lines 7-53; page 15, lines 50-56; page 16, lines 6-8; col. 18, lines 55-60; col. 21, lines 16-25; col. 21, line 54 through col. 22, line 6; Claim 1 and Figures 10-13. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully disagree with the Office’s position, and suggest that the relied upon passages do not support the Office’s assertion. In particular, Humpleman does not teach or suggest how to 1) “determining one or more resources for carrying out said **service-centric based request**” and “translating said **service-centric based request** into one or more **device-specific events**.” Instead, Humpleman only teaches creating “a macro file” for a user

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For each of the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that Claim 8 is patentable over Humpleman in view of Van Ee. Accordingly, Applicants request that the obviousness rejection of Claim 8 be withdrawn and that Claim 8 be allowed.

Claims 9-11, 14 and 24 are allowable by virtue of their dependency on respective base Claim 8, as well as the additional elements they recite. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the obviousness rejection of Claims 9-11, 14 and 24 be withdrawn and that Claims 9-11, 14 and 24 be allowed.

With regard to **Claim 15**, the Office refers to Humpleman at page 20, lines 17-20 and page 17, lines 38-41, to support the assertion that Humpleman teaches “logic for receiving a **service-centric based request** from a user application, **that is non-device-specific**, based on one or more of said service offerings.” However, Applicants note that all other passages that the Office relies upon only pertain to **device-centric techniques**. See: col. 4, lines 20-32; col. 6, line 51 through col. 7, line 8; col. 7, lines 19-29; col. 7, lines 37-41; col. 13, lines 7-53; page 15, lines 50-56; page 16, lines 6-8; col. 18, lines 55-60; col. 21, lines 16-25; col. 21, line 54 through col. 22, line 6; Claim 1 and Figures 10-13. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully disagree with the Office’s position, and suggest that the relied upon passages do not support the Office’s assertion. In particular, Humpleman does not teach or suggest 1) “logic for determining one or more resources of said network for carrying out **said service-centric based request**” and “logic for translating said **service-centric based request** into one or more **device-specific events**.” Instead, Humpleman only teaches creating “a macro file” for a user “selected device” (e.g., device-centric request). Accordingly, Humpleman is non-enabling with respect to creating “a macro file” for user selected “information sources based on content.” In addition, Applicants respectfully submit that creating “a macro file” for user selected “information sources based on content”, in view of Humpleman, would require undue experimentation.

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Therefore, combining the teachings of Humpleman and Van Ee teach away from “logic for determining whether said service request list [based on said device-specific events **translated from said service-centric based request that is non-device-specific**] conflicts with another service request list.” Furthermore, creating “a macro file” for user selected “information sources based on content” and then checking if the macro file conflicts with another macro filed “created from user selected “information sources based on content”, in view of Humpleman and Van Ee, would require undue experimentation by one skilled in the art.

For each of the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that Claim 15 is patentable over Humpleman in view of Van Ee. Accordingly, Applicants request that the obviousness rejection of Claim 15 be withdrawn and that Claim 15 be allowed.

Claims 17, 18 and 20-22 are allowable by virtue of their dependency on respective base Claim 15, as well as the additional elements they recite. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the obviousness rejection of Claims 17, 18 and 20-22 be withdrawn and that Claims 17, 18 and 20-22 be allowed.

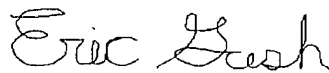
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Conclusion

For all the reasons advanced above, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and that action is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required for this amendment, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 504160. In the event that an extension of time is required, or may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to Deposit Account 504160.

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